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**IRAN-IRAQ CONFLICT
AL BASRAH AREA, IRAQ**

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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: MINOR IRANIAN ADVANCES HAVE BEEN MADE WHILE THE IRAQIS CONTINUE TO REINFORCE THEIR FORCES AND ADVANCE ON IRANIAN POSITIONS. (GRAPHIC 1 OF 3)

2. (S/D) REMARKS: SECTIONS OF THE FRONT NORTHEAST OF AL BASRAH, WHERE IRANIAN FORCES CROSSED THE IRAQ-IRAN BORDER, ARE PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY BLOWING SAND AND SMOKE; HOWEVER, THE FORWARD EDGE OF THE BATTLE AREA (FEBA) WHICH IS VISIBLE REMAINS ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED. MINOR IRANIAN ADVANCES ARE EVIDENT NORTHWARD ALONG THE FEBA ON THE NORTHERN FLANK OF THE IRANIAN PENETRATION. IN ADDITION, THE IRANIANS HAVE COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION OF A DEFENSIVE BERM ALONG THEIR NEW FRONT LINE INSIDE IRAQ. NUMEROUS SMALL IRANIAN TANK AND MECHANIZED INFANTRY UNITS REMAIN UNCOMMITTED TO THE BATTLE AND ARE STILL DEPLOYED IN POSITIONS INSIDE IRAN (NOT ON GRAPHIC).

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THE IRAQIS ARE REESTABLISHING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ALONG THEIR FRONT LINES. IRAQI TANK AND MECHANIZED INFANTRY UNITS ARE NOW IN REVETTED POSITIONS OPPOSITE THE IRANIAN PENETRATION. AT LEAST TWO IRAQI ARMORED BRIGADES (GRAPHIC 2 OF 3) ARE ADVANCING ON IRANIAN POSITIONS ALONG A LINE FROM 30-44N 047-59E TO 30-34N 048-00E. THE TWO ADVANCING IRAQI ARMORED BRIGADES ARE MOVING THROUGH OPEN AREAS AROUND THE REVETTED POSITIONS. IN ADDITION, IRAQI REINFORCEMENTS (GRAPHIC 3 OF 3) INCLUDING ARMORED AND ARTILLERY UNITS, ARE ARRIVING IN THE REAR AREAS. ONE ARMORED BATTALION (BN) IS BEING UNLOADED FROM TANK TRANSPORTERS AT 30-53N 047-45E, AND AT LEAST ONE ADDITIONAL ARMOR BN, ON TANK TRANSPORTERS, AND ONE ARTILLERY BN ARE IN THE SAME AREA. A PROBABLE IRAQI INFANTRY UNIT IS DIGGING IN BEHIND A MECHANIZED INFANTRY UNIT DEPLOYED NEAR THE NORTHERN FLANK OF THE IRANIAN PENETRATION IN THE VICINITY OF 30-51N 047-58E.

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THE SMALL IRAQI COVERING FORCE, DEPLOYED IN IRAN NORTH OF THE
MAIN IRAQI DEFENSIVE LINE IN THE VICINITY OF 31-02N 047-55E,
HAS WITHDRAWN [REDACTED] EXTENSIVE CONSTRUCTION OF
ADDITIONAL DEFENSIVE POSITIONS CONTINUES IN THE IRAQI REAR
AREAS.

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